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SOVIET IMPORTS OF MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT FROM THE DEVELOPED WEST

1. The attached tables show the value and origin of Soviet imports of machinery and equipment from the Developed West during the period 1960-68. Detailed data for 1969 are not available but preliminary information indicates that Soviet imports of machinery and equipment from the Developed West in 1969 were valued at $1.1 billion or roughly $200 million more than in 1968. Indications are that the level of imports in 1970 will be about the same as in 1969.

2. Tables 1 and 2 are self explanatory. Table 3 shows the main suppliers of the most important categories of machinery and equipment imported by the USSR from the Developed West in 1960-1968.

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Table 1

USSR Imports of Machinery and Equipment from the Developed West
by Category
1960-68

Million US $ a/

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968
Total	456	470	602	589	621	510	560	670	896
Metalworking equipment	20	24	20	27	34	22	17	34	71
Power and electric equipment	18	21	28	22	19	10	9	14	12
Petroleum drilling and refining equipment	Negl.	Negl.	Negl.	--	1	4	10	17	15
Equipment for food industry	29	64	70	29	4	8	11	35	63
Equipment for light industry	25	26	21	16	20	23	33	63	135
Equipment for chemical industry	135	132	88	124	113	111	147	177	204
Equipment for lumber and paper industry	33	43	139	118	74	37	35	61	88
Equipment for printing industry	2	4	3	5	4	2	8	9	11
Equipment for electronics industry	--	--	--	2	9	12	11	5	6
Instruments	9	9	8	9	7	4	3	4	23
Ships and marine equipment	102	57	144	159	254	194	190	127	134
Other	83	91	82	77	82	83	86	123	135

a. Rounded to the nearest million dollars. Components may not add to total because of rounding.

Note: Negl. denotes less than $500,000.
-- denotes none reported.

Table 2

USSR Total Imports of Machinery and Equipment from the Developed West by Country
1960-1968

Million US $ a/

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968
Total Developed West	456	470	602	589	621	510	560	670	896
Japan	19	29	79	86	133	73	106	66	65
Canada	Negl.	1	2	Negl.	1	7	Negl.	Negl.	Negl.
United States	28	16	2	1	4	6	7	8	9
Austria	21	22	20	25	36	28	13	20	21
Belgium	4	13	15	4	10	8	3	8	8
Denmark	15	2	21	28	18	20	19	16	18
Finland	80	64	141	131	66	101	66	116	139
France	63	69	88	34	42	28	55	102	193
West Germany	96	91	62	75	139	73	100	61	105
Italy	30	43	33	81	52	39	38	83	110
Netherlands	6	8	18	10	2	17	15	50	30
Norway	5	3	3	1	--	Negl.	3	5	8
Switzerland	10	8	6	10	7	11	15	17	22
Sweden	22	25	51	38	63	28	17	25	35
United Kingdom	58	77	62	64	47	71	102	94	134

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Table 3

USSR Imports of Selected Machinery and Equipment from the Developed West
by Main Suppliers
1960-1968

Million US $ a/

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968
Metalworking Equipment - Total	20	24	20	27	34	22	17	34	71
France	Negl.	1	2	1	9	2	1	7	11
West Germany	10	11	8	8	8	4	1	6	18
Italy	2	3	4	7	4	2	1	3	6
Switzerland	6	5	3	4	5	6	9	6	8
United Kingdom	1	2	2	4	5	5	3	2	17
Equipment for Food Industry - Total	29	64	70	29	4	8	11	35	63
France	1	16	25	1	Negl.	Negl.	Negl.	2	19
West Germany	19	27	5	1	1	2	2	4	10
Italy	Negl.	Negl.	Negl.	1	1	2	2	13	10
Sweden	1	1	15	16	Negl.	1	1	6	6
United Kingdom	6	14	8	Negl.	1	2	3	4	5
Equipment for Light Industry - Total	25	26	21	16	20	23	33	63	135
France	1	2	Negl.	1	3	2	2	10	60
Italy	1	1	1	4	2	3	12	17	31
United Kingdom	3	7	13	6	2	4	7	10	20
United States	18	9	Negl.	--	Negl.	Negl.	Negl.	Negl.	Negl.

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1960-1968
(continued)

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968
Equipment for Chemical Industry - Total	135	132	88	124	113	111	147	177	204
France	18	18	18	13	5	13	20	40	47
West Germany	42	21	9	19	59	18	25	12	26
Italy	23	28	14	29	7	17	11	11	10
Japan	4	8	4	18	5	7	21	24	24
Netherlands	Negl.	2	18	9	1	1	6	30	21
United Kingdom	39	41	18	30	30	44	58	50	66
Equipment for Wood Processing and Paper Industry - Total	33	43	139	118	74	37	35	61	88
Finland	10	17	46	48	9	23	14	23	41
France	4	3	24	10	8	1	3	12	19
Japan	--	--	26	13	33	3	1	1	1
Sweden	14	19	30	15	14	6	11	10	18
Equipment for Electronics Industry - Total	--	--	--	2	9	12	11	5	6
France	--	--	--	--	1	Negl.	5	2	2
Japan	--	--	--	2	7	5	2	2	4
United Kingdom	--	--	--	--	1	6	4	Negl.	Negl.

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	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968
Ships and Marine Equipment - Total	102	57	144	159	254	194	190	127	134
Denmark	12	Negl.	12	18	17	19	16	10	10
Finland	66	36	74	64	41	66	41	82	89
West Germany	7	4	18	26	38	27	43	11	2
Italy	Negl.	5	Negl.	10	32	8	1	1	16
Japan	12	4	38	35	68	39	60	5	5

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